



House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 588

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Substitute House Bill No. 6271

House of Representatives, May 3, 2001

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. STRATTON of the 17th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING NOISE REGULATION OF THE UCONN STADIUM AT RENTSCHLER FIELD IN EAST HARTFORD.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Subsection (b) of section 32-664 of the general statutes is repealed
2 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (b) Each license, permit and approval required or permitted to be
4 issued and each administrative action required or permitted to be
5 taken pursuant to the general statutes in connection with the overall
6 project shall be issued or taken upon application to the particular
7 commissioner or commissioners having the jurisdiction over such
8 license, permit, approval or other administrative action or such other
9 state official as such commissioner shall designate. No agency,
10 commission, council, committee, panel or other body whatsoever other
11 than such commissioner shall have jurisdiction over or cognizance of
12 any licenses, permits, approvals or administrative actions concerning
13 the overall project. No notice of any tentative determination or any

14 final determination regarding any such license, permit, approval or
15 administrative action and no notice of any such license, permit,
16 approval or administrative action shall be required except as expressly
17 provided in this section. No ordinance, law or regulation adopted by,
18 or authority granted to, any municipality or any other political
19 subdivision of the state shall apply to the overall project except that the
20 overall project shall comply with the provisions of any local noise
21 ordinance that embraces the ambient noise standard, as provided in
22 section 22a-69, and provided such noise ordinance shall not apply to
23 The University of Connecticut's sporting events.

ENV *Joint Favorable Subst.*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Affected Agencies: None

Municipal Impact: None

OLR Bill Analysis

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AN ACT CONCERNING NOISE REGULATION OF THE UCONN STADIUM AT RENTSCHLER FIELD IN EAST HARTFORD.**SUMMARY:**

This bill makes the overall Adriaen's Landing project subject to local noise ordinances that are consistent with state ambient noise standards, but it exempts University of Connecticut sporting events from such ordinances. By law the "overall project" encompasses both the Hartford components (convention center, hotel, housing, parking, and retail and entertainment facilities) and the East Hartford component (University of Connecticut football stadium and parking). Current law exempts the overall project from municipal laws, ordinances, and regulations. By law, the environmental protection commissioner must approve any local noise ordinance before it can go into effect.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2001

BACKGROUND***Legislative History***

The House referred the original bill (File 119) to the Environment Committee on April 11. On April 19, the committee reported this version with (1) the specific requirement that noise ordinances be consistent with the state ambient noise standards and (2) the exemption for University of Connecticut sporting events.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 18 Nay 0

Environment Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 22 Nay 4